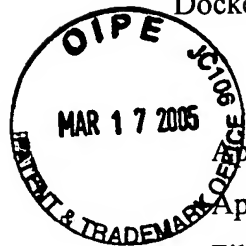


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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 21, 2004 in the above-captioned application, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.